

The Provident FRIEND

June 2010

Providence Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends

Saylesville Friends Help with Lincoln's First Habitat for Humanities House

By Joanne Griffin



Lincoln's first Habitat for Humanity house was dedicated on June 12th. We gathered at the site at 10 in the morning to mark the occasion along with the 7 other congregations that also participated in the form of labor or food. Johanna and her four children (2 little girls and 2 adolescent boys), the next Habitat family, (the first in Cumberland), friends, family, Habitat board members attended and joined in the festivities. We all got the chance to go inside and see the 1000 sq.

ft. home, complete with little deck, landscaping and gravel driveway. The neighbors had provided electricity, water and security for the project. We then gathered at Christ Episcopal Church hall to celebrate. All the congregations had made sandwiches to share and a cake was sliced and served as well. We gathered with some of the volunteers we had served over the past months and were told of how much they appreciated a bathroom to use, chairs to sit upon at lunchtime and plates

and silverware along with conversation. We then presented Johanna and her family with a basket filled with family treats as a welcome to the neighborhood.

It has all been very, very good and we are grateful for the opportunity to serve.

Calendar:

June 15: 3-7pm
CSA pick up begins at Providence meetinghouse

June 17: 3-7pm
CSA pick up begins at Boesch Farm in East Greenwich

June 19:
9am-3pm - Bookswap at Saylesville

June 20:
Peace & Social Concerns
5pm - AFSC-SENE Celebration

June 26-27:
5th International prayer vigil

June 27: 10am-Gardening

July 11: 10am-Gardening
After Coffee Hour
Walk with Eugenia Marks

July 18th: Quarterly Meeting, Smithfield Meeting

July 25: 10am
Ice Cream Social at Providence meetinghouse

August 1: 10am-Gardening

August 7-9:
NEYM Sessions, Bryant University, Smithfield

August 9: 4:15pm
Ice Cream Social at Sessions

August 28: Friendly 8s

August 29: 10am-Gardening

Sept. 5: Potluck

Sept.12:
First Day School Begins

12:15pm - Meeting for Business, Saylesville Meetinghouse

Minutes of Monthly Meeting for Business - Sixth Month 13th

Providence Monthly Meeting
Sixth Month (June) 13, 2010

Minutes of monthly meeting for business

1. Friends gathered at the Saylesville meeting house at 12:20 p.m, following a potluck lunch, with eighteen Friends present.

2. In the opening worship, the clerk read *Advices on Self-Discipline and Responsibility* from the *Faith and Practice of Southeastern Yearly Meeting (2005)*:

Choose recreations that increase our vitality, self-awareness, and peace of mind and strengthen our will to create what is good.

Make thoughtful use of our time.

Guard ourselves and our children in our choice of print, electronic media and other entertainments. Avoid those that promote violence and disrespect for human beings.

Friends, strive to be courteous and responsible while driving.

3. Announcements:

Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarter will be 18th of Seventh Month at Smithfield meeting house. More details will be announced via listserve as they become available.

New England Yearly Meeting Sessions will be at Bryant University from 7th to 12th Eighth Month. Registration is available online at the NEYM website, www.neym.org.

Moses Brown School will be hosting an ice-cream social on Monday afternoon, 9th of 8th month, at Bryant, to which all Friends are invited.

The Peace and Social Concerns Committee is cooperating in an ecumenical prayer vigil for victims of torture, on 6th mo. 2010, from 7:30 to 8:30 pm at St. Joseph's Church, Pawtucket, and hopes a number of Friends will attend.

AFSC-SENE will be holding a summer solstice celebration (and fundraiser) on Sunday, 6th mo. 20th, at Ledge End's Farm in East Greenwich. More details will be sent on the listserve.

4. Membership transfer: William ("Tad") Manning Jose, Jr., who has been a junior member with us and a graduate of Moses Brown School, has requested that his membership be transferred to Alexandria (VA) Monthly Meeting, where he has attended for many years. We approve.

5. Finance Committee brought back a proposed policy on grant applications. (See 5th mo. 2010, minute 7.) The second part of the proposal, concerning contracts, is still being worked on and will return at a later date.

GUIDELINES FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS

1. All grant applications for meeting activities and projects shall come through a standing committee and be presented to Meeting for Business for its consideration.
2. Approved grant applications must be signed

by the Providence Monthly Meeting's clerk or designee.

This policy was approved.

For the Finance Committee, Bruce Carlsten also reported that there has been a review of our insurance coverage, and Church Mutual has informed us that they were charging too much for our policy and will be making an adjustment.

6. Quaker Quest: For Ministry and Counsel, Dan Lederer distributed a revised proposal for hosting the preliminary workshop for Quaker Quest. FGC has informed us that the workshop needs to be a full day, making it impractical to hold it on a Sunday afternoon as previously envisioned. (See 5th mo 2010, minute 9.) Ministry and Counsel therefore suggests the 20th of 11th month. The 13th of 11th month was suggested as a possible alternate date. We reaffirm our decision to move forward with the workshop, empowering Ministry and Counsel to settle the date with FGC's facilitators. Friends are urged to clear their calendars to be available for the full day.

7. Saylesville Construction Stage II: For the Property Committee, Bob Elliott reported that the committee would like to move forward with Stage II, to close in and finish the exterior of the east wall, including repair of a hole in the adjacent corner of the south wall. One estimate has been received, which is higher than members of the Property Committee feel is necessary. Members of the committee are continuing to

seek other estimates including some use of volunteers.

The committee requests spending authority up to \$15,000, although they hope that the work can be done for substantially less. The Treasurer noted that the designated fund for the Saylesville meeting house had \$8,500 in it at the end of the fiscal year, plus \$9,000 in the current year budget, so that the requested amount should not require dipping into undesignated funds.

We approve the Property Committee to move forward with this work up to \$15,000. We authorize the presiding clerk to execute the necessary contracts on behalf of the meeting.

8. Friends United Meeting: For Ministry and Counsel, Dan Lederer presented a report on its deliberations concerning Providence monthly meeting's response to the ongoing issues surrounding the relationship between New England Yearly Meeting and Friends United Meeting. This report follows circulation of relevant background materials and a worship-sharing session open to all.

Friends raised a number of concerns with the statement as presented, with some cautioning about taking action or using language that is unnecessarily divisive. Some Friends are saddened that it seems so difficult to take action consistent with the minute on same-gender marriage that the meeting has approved. We recognize the importance of having accurate information,
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Changes at the Newsletter By Nina Berry



One Sunday about six years ago, I was approached by two Friends at the rise of Meeting and asked if I would consider taking on the job of publishing the Meeting's newsletter. I had no idea, and still don't, why anyone would think I could do such a job as nothing to do with

publishing a newsletter was in my bag of tricks. Penny Jackim had been publishing the newsletter and doing a beautiful job so the thought of following in her shoes was intimidating.

Years of training in a previous profession prevented me from saying I didn't know how. This and my belief that we all need to step up when a job needs doing led me to "yes."

It has been an entertaining education and an honor to

put out the newsletter, but after six years, it is time to pass the job on to someone else.

The immensely capable Steve Schwartz has agreed to take it on but, given his schedule, needs a co-editor to work with him. If you are interested or just a little curious, please contact me or Debbie Block. I'll answer all your questions. Perhaps it is your turn to add to your bag of tricks. I can assure you it is a rewarding and needed job and I am happy

to mentor anyone who would like to try it.

I found a pamphlet in the library from 1967 entitled *The Minimum Quaker* and the last paragraph said, "Quakers may be slow in many ways, but they do not give up, and this counts. If one Friend cannot go on and has to rest, there are many others taking his place and carrying the work forward. *Committed Friends are never alone.*"

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possibly through a forum inviting current NEYM representatives on the FUM Board.

We encourage Friends to take advantage of opportunities at NEYM Sessions to discuss this issue more fully, informally and in workshops, and to learn more about the status of these issues within FUM. We ask Ministry and Counsel to continue guiding

the meeting's deliberations on this matter.

9. Treasurer's Report: Peter Swaszek presented a final written report on the fiscal year that ended the 31st of 5th month 2010. The General Fund closed with a surplus of just over \$4,000, resulting from underspending by about \$10,000 and a shortfall in contributions of about \$6,000. The Treasurer thanked Friends for their

support of the meeting and urged continued donations. We thank the Treasurer for his diligent work on our behalf.

10. Saylesville: As clerk of the preparative meeting, Joanne Griffith reported that the Habitat for Humanity house that the meeting has been supporting was dedicated this weekend. She will write a fuller account for the newsletter.

11. We closed with silent gratitude at 2:10 p.m., intending if God permits to meet next at the Saylesville meeting house on the 13th of 9th month 2010, at 12:15 p.m., or at the call of the clerk if needed.

Mark Conley, Presiding Clerk
Elizabeth Cazden, Recording Clerk

Questions for Candidates in 2010 Elections From FCNL

The Friends Committee on National Legislation suggests that you take these questions with you when you meet your candidates. Look for more questions at <http://www.fcni.org/pubs/candidatequestions10.htm>

Investing in Peace

In 2009, 33% of my tax dollars went to fund the Pentagon and related agencies. Just 1% was spent on tools to prevent war: diplomacy, development, and international cooperation. The U.S. needs civilian experts and readily

available funds to prevent, not just fight, wars. **Will you support fully funding the State Department's new Civilian Response Corps, as well as the president's \$100 million request for a Complex Crises Fund to help prevent crises?**

Auditing the Pentagon

Every major federal agency, except the Pentagon, is required to account for what it spends each year. The Pentagon has acknowledged that its financial books do not conform to accounting standards. **Will you publicly endorse the call for the Pentagon to be**

subject to annual audits? Will you support legislation, like Senator Chuck Grassley's bill this year, that would require the Pentagon's books to be audited?

Fixing Immigration System

The U.S. immigration system is broken. For more than 15 years, Congress has failed to pass comprehensive legislation to reform the system. **Will you support strong, comprehensive immigration reform legislation similar to Rep. Luis Gutierrez's bill this**

year that promotes family unity, brings undocumented immigrants out of the shadows, and upholds immigrants' human and civil rights?

Exiting Iraq:

The Bush administration signed an agreement with Iraq in November 2008 that requires the U.S. to withdraw all of its troops and military contractors from Iraq no later than December 31, 2011. **Will you insist that the Obama administration make good on that U.S. agreement to withdraw by December 2011?**

Around the Meeting

Communications Committee: Choosing Clerks and Forwarding Minutes

June 1 marked the beginning of our new fiscal year. This being June, the first order of business for each committee is to choose a clerk and recording clerk, whose names then need to be forwarded to our Presiding Clerk, Mark Conley. Since in some but not all cases these will be the same persons who served during the last fiscal year, it is important to communicate this information to the Presiding Clerk. Communications Committee is in the process of setting up the Meeting Archives, which will be a digital repository of important documents including minutes of committee meetings. Meeting minutes allow the Presiding Clerk to stay informed about committee activities, and they provide a written record of committee actions for future reference. We are now asking that, as these

minutes are generated, they be forwarded to archivist@providencefriends.org.

Program Committee:

The program committee is planning some activities for children and their parents for the summer during meeting for worship. One activity is helping to tend the community garden at Moses Brown (coordinated by Betsy Zimmerman). Another is helping prepare for and participate in the ice cream social (coordinated by Sarah Baily). Everyone from the meeting is invited to participate.

The activities are scheduled during meeting time and on the following dates:

Gardening:
 Sunday June 27th, 10am
 Sunday July 11th, 10am
 Sunday August 1st, 10am
 Sunday August 29th, 10am

Ice cream social:
 Sunday July 25th, 10am

If you have questions please contact Sarah Baily or Betsy Zimmerman.

Walk with Eugenia Marks:

July 11 to extend day of worship and companionship. Bring a lunch and plan to leave after coffee hour and return an agreeable time later. Eugenia, Marks is happy to be contacted throughout summer for walking companionship.

Camp Street Ministries:

Non-perishable food for the Camp Street Ministries food pantry may be left in the boxes thus marked and under the bench in the foyer of the meetinghouse.

Spring Tea:

The 7th annual Spring Tea was held on Friday, May 14th at the Meetinghouse from 3:45-5:15pm. Friends, along with administration, faculty, and staff at Moses Brown School enjoyed teatime treats served with coffee, tea, and punch. Thanks to all in the Meeting who helped make this a success!

Summer Fellowship Hour:

In July and August, after-worship fellowship will be

informal and ad hoc. Frozen lemonade and crackers/snacks will be in the kitchen. Kind friends will make the lemonade or coffee and put out crackers and snacks. Please feel free to bring food to share and clean up. If you arrive early or are feeling especially friendly, please take the initiative to be the greeter. There will be no potluck lunches in July and August. Potluck will resume Sept. 5th.

Peace and Social Concerns

will meet next Sunday at the rise of Meeting after a brief coffee hour. We need find a clerk, to talk about our future, our response to the international day of prayer and torture, and our response to the recent revelations about our medical professionals' roles in torture. As was mentioned Sunday the 13th, we need to proceed with "joy for life" but concurrently we need to be a witness and speak out against acts that have been done that are inhumane.

5th International Prayer Vigil - June 26th

On June 26, the International Day of Support for Torture Victims, ACAT (Action of Christians Against Torture), calls upon Christians worldwide to join in an international prayer vigil. Thousands of

Christians pray throughout the night, interceding for men and women who are in the hands of their torturers. There are groups and individuals praying all around the globe, so the Night Vigil lasts all night,

but individuals only commit to participate for a quarter of an hour, or half and hour or more. Groups and individuals should sign up on ACAT's internet site www.thenightvigil.com.

Friends are invited to pray with others at St. Joseph's church on Walcott St. in Pawtucket from 7:30 to 8:30 on Saturday June 26 and to join our hosts for refreshments and fellowship afterwards.

Year of Jubilee at NEYM By Betsy Zimmerman



In keeping with the idea of doing different things at Yearly Meeting sessions this year, the Committee on Nurturing Friends Education at Moses Brown will be

holding an Ice cream social at Sessions on Monday, August 9 at 4:15. Please join us. If you would like to help serve ice cream on behalf of the school, and help to answer questions,

please let Betsy Zimmerman know by the end of July. Hot days and Ice cream go together!

NEYM Sessions August 7-12, 2010

This is your invitation to attend what promises to be a very different New England Yearly Meeting (NEYM) Annual Sessions, to be held Saturday, August 7 to Thursday, August 12, at [Bryant University](#). For more [information](#) and [online registration](#), click the links in this email and/or go to the NEYM Annual Sessions [website](#). Please [register](#) by June 30, 2010 to avoid late fees.

Sessions this August will include daily [Anchor Groups](#), giving us a chance to gather with the same small group of Friends for discussion, sharing and worship. There will be

[Jubilee Seminars](#) for all of us on Sunday and Monday afternoons, with brief presentations on individual and corporate witness, followed by reflection in our Anchor Groups. There will be time for gathered worship of all kinds: intergenerational worship with the whole community every morning; singing grace at lunch; after dinner singing for all ages (vespers), and, through it all, Meetings for Business (this year, "[Meetings to Hear God's Call](#)") that are deeply centered in worship.

Built on the foundation of our [Youth Programs](#), featuring their usual strong

staffing and programming, we will create more opportunities for being together as a community—in play, in service, in celebration. We will have Sunday afternoon activities with the children, and a Kenyan tea sponsored by the United Society of Friends Women. On Tuesday evening, there will be an intergenerational musical Jubilee Celebration led by Peter and Annie Blood-Patterson. Taking to heart the Jubilee injunction to take time to rest and refresh ourselves, the Sessions Committee has left afternoon time each day open, with the intention that YM Sessions will not be as

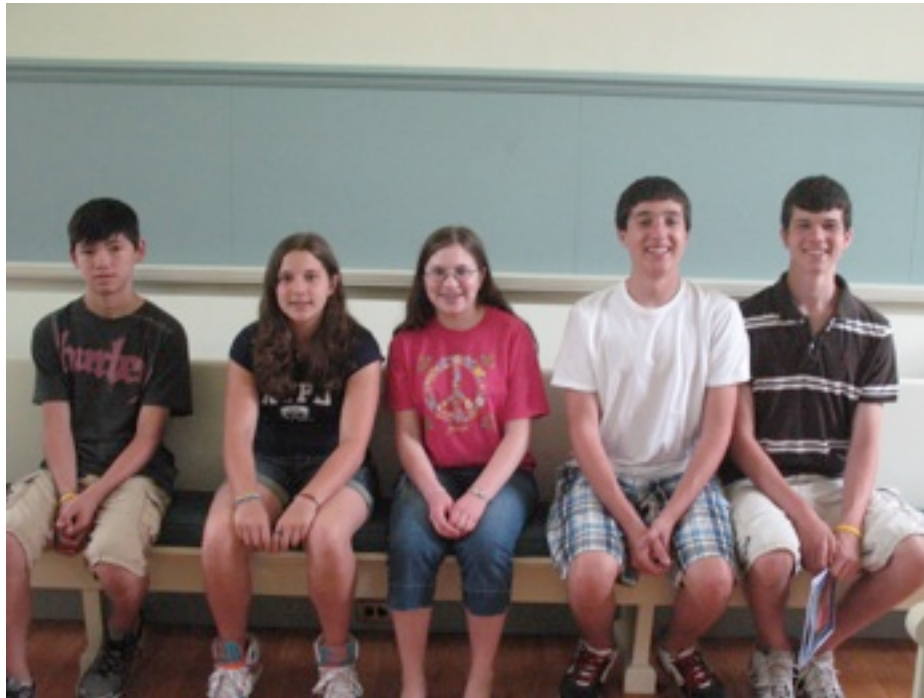
heavily programmed as usual. We look forward to seeing you. [Financial aid](#) through the Equalization Fund is available as always. In the end we will all create our Jubilee Sessions in our time together. Come and help us! Thus refreshed, may we all be led to more faithful witness in the world.

To begin your registration for the 2010 NEYM Annual Sessions, go to the Sessions website at [sessions.neym.org](#).

2010 New England Yearly Meeting Sessions Schedule

	Saturday, August 7	Sunday, August 8	Monday, August 9	Tuesday, August 10	Wednesday, August 11	Thursday, August 12
6:30-7:00	6:30-7:00 Early Morning Worship — programmed, healing, unprogrammed, Earthcare, (See YM NEWS* for location)					
7:00-8:15	7:00-8:15 Breakfast (Salmanson Dining Hall, Unistructure)					
8:30-9:00	8:30-9:00 Intergenerational Worship (Rotunda)					
9:00-NOON	9:30 Permanent Board (See YM NEWS* for location) 9:30 Ministry & Counsel (See YM NEWS* for location) 10:00 Registration begins (Hall 16 Lobby)	9:00 Meeting for Worship (Bello Center)	9:15 Meeting to Hear God's Call			9:15 Meeting to Hear God's Call 11:00 Concluding worship (all ages)
11:30-1:00	11:30-1:00 Lunch (Salmanson Dining Hall, Unistructure)					
1:00-5:30	1:00-2:45 Committee meetings (See YM NEWS* for locations) 2:00 Meeting for Worship (Rotunda) 3:00-4:15 Parent/Sponsor & Youth Orientations (See YM NEWS* for locations) 4:30-5:00 Orientation for first-time attenders (Bello Center) 5:00 Registration closes	1:30-4:00 Jubilee Seminar: Plenary presentation by Viv Hawkins, Philadelphia YM on "Individual Witness," followed by small group sharing in Anchor Groups 4:15 Intergenerational Singing, Games & Kenyan Tea	1:30-4:00 Jubilee Seminar: Plenary presentation by Keith Harvey, New England AFSC on "Corporate Witness," followed by small group sharing in Anchor Groups 4:15 Jubilee Time: For rest, recreation, intergenerational activities, special small groups (worship sharing, interest groups), committee activities, daily Open Meeting to Hear Concerns	1:30-3:00 Anchor Groups 3:15 Committee Fair	1:30-3:00 Anchor Groups Jubilee Time	1:30 Permanent Board (See YM NEWS* for location) 2:00 Check-out ends Drop keys in box (Info Desk at Rotunda or Hall 16 lobby) Youth Programs Childcare: Su-W: 9-11:45am, & 1:15-4:15pm; Th: 9-11:00am Junior Yearly Meeting & Junior Highers: Sa: 7:30-9pm; Su: 9:45-11:45am, & 7-9pm; M-W: 9-11:45am, & 7-9pm; Th: 9-11:00am Junior YM only, Su-W: 1:15-4:15pm Young Friends: Day & evening program
5:00-6:30	5:00-6:30 Dinner (Salmanson Dining Hall, Unistructure)					
6:00-9:00	6:45 Opening Celebration (all ages) (Bello Center) 7:30 (approx.) Children & youth staff leave 7:45 Welcoming & Anchor Groups	6:15 Vespers: Singing for all ages (outside) 6:15 Orientation for first-time attenders (See YM NEWS* for locations) 7:00 Meeting to Hear God's Call (Bello Center)	6:15 Vespers: Singing for all ages 7:00 Meeting to Hear God's Call	6:15 Vespers: Singing for all ages 7:00 Jubilee Celebration an intergenerational music event with Annie & Peter Blood-Patterson.	6:15 Vespers: Singing for all ages 7:00 Meeting to Hear God's Call	Junior Yearly Meeting & Junior Highers: Sa: 7:30-9pm; Su: 9:45-11:45am, & 7-9pm; M-W: 9-11:45am, & 7-9pm; Th: 9-11:00am Junior YM only, Su-W: 1:15-4:15pm Young Friends: Day & evening program
9:00-11:00	9:00-10:00 Registration continues (Hall 16 Lobby)	9:00 Interest Groups (See YM NEWS* for topics and locations)	9:00 Interest Groups Contra Dance	9:00 Interest Groups	9:00 Interest Groups Coffee House	
* YEARLY MEETING NEWS is published Saturday through Wednesday mornings.						
REGISTRATION HOURS: 8/7 Saturday (Hall 16 Lobby): 10:00am - 5:00 pm; 9:00pm - 10:00pm 8/8 Sunday - 8/11 Wednesday (Hall 16, Room 308): 8:00am - 9:00am; 4:15pm - 5:15 pm; 7:00pm - 9:00pm						

First Day School Graduates



2010 First Day School graduates: Henry, Marina, Elizabeth, Nick and Josh.
Graduates not pictured include Sara, Walker, Trevor and Megan.

AFSC-SENE Solstice Celebration & Fundraiser

Celebrate the Summer Solstice, Father's Day, Sustainable Agriculture and AFSC-SENE!

Ledge Ends Farm
830 South Road
East Greenwich RI
Sunday, June 20, 5:00pm

Join us for a picnic at Ledge Ends Produce/CSA in East Greenwich! We will provide the main course, good breads, and beverages. The farm will

provide beautiful seasonal fresh organic veggies.

You bring a picnic blanket or chairs, eating utensils (including plates), a dessert to share, and musical instruments.

Together we will feast on great food, celebrate work for peace and justice, the official start to summer, our fathers and father-figures, make music, raise funds for

AFSC-SENE and have a fabulous evening!

Suggested donation: \$20 (make checks payable to AFSC, with SENE in the memo)

In the event of rain: Check <http://afsc.org/event/celebrate-summer-solstice-fathers-day-sustainable-agriculture-and-afsc-sene> or call the afsc-sene office at (508) 399-6699

beforehand. We will make the weather call by 1pm and post our decision. In the event of rain we will gather at the Friends Meeting House (corner of Olney and Morris St in Providence) with all the food and instruments and wonderful people.

PLEASE RSVP TO: KBergin@afsc.org

Peace Notes By Bruce Carlsten

Friday, June 18th at 7 PM
St. Michael's Parish Hall, corner of Hope & Church Streets, Bristol, RI Michael Moore's magnum opus film, *Capitalism: A Love Story* will be shown. Free and open to the public, sponsored by East Bay Citizens for Peace. For more information contact

247-9738,
eastbaycitizens4peace@hotmail.com or
www.eastbaycitizens4peace.org

United National Peace Conference
July 23–25, Albany, NY

Unac2010@aol.com or UNAC at P.O. Box 21675, Cleveland, OH 44121 518-227-6947
www.nationalpeaceconference.org
Twenty co-sponsoring national organizations urge you to attend this conference scheduled for Albany, New York July

23-25, 2010. The peace movement is strongest and most effective when plans for united actions are made by the whole range of antiwar and social justice organizations meeting together and deciding together dates and places for national mobilizations.

Clerk's Corner By Mark Conley

Because love has been
lavished so / Upon me,
Lord, / A wealth I know that
was not meant / For me to
hoard, / I shall give love to
those in need, / Shall show
that love by word and
deed / Thus shall my thanks
be thanks indeed.

- Grace Noll Crowell, 1937

At our Providence Meetinghouse early this month, it was my delight to present to our large group of First-Day School graduates their individual copies of Faith and Practice along with a beautifully done photo-collage from our Meeting. Included in this newsletter is a copy of the photo-collage these students received, and I

hope you have a chance to look over all the remarkable things these students have done in their time in Meeting. It hasn't really been a short time for many of them, as so many adult attenders who also have great impact are here for a briefer time than the ten to fourteen years thus far that some of these graduates have been a part of our community!

In our Meeting, we are indeed blessed with members and attenders from birth to approaching nearly a century in age. In reading State of Society reports from other meetings, time and again one reads of a yearning for what we are so fortunate to

have – the energy and grounding that come from such a wide range of experience. Though we are not equally represented at all ages, we have so many young families who make the difficult journey to Meeting (I know! I remember!) as often as they can. I know sometimes Meeting can be a challenge for our families to negotiate – from toddlers who are never quite ready when it's time to leave all the way through our middle and high school students who are not ready to decide from week to week where Meeting fits into their present or future. Committee membership, too, can be quite an obstacle for parents if

Meeting is not prepared to assist with child-care.

I hope if you are a member of such a family – child or adult – that you have found a Friend whom you can approach to speak of your joys and challenges inside and outside our Meeting. And I hope if you are not currently in this stage of life that you feel the promise of renewal every time you speak to Friends who are at there now. We truly need each other, after all, to make our meetinghouse a Meetinghome.

And, as always, thank you for all you do in the Life of our Meeting.

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Elizabeth Bonner Zimmerman

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Meeting for Worship each Sunday

Providence: 10:00 am Saylesville: 10:30 am
Jamestown: 10:30 am

First Day School, Providence - Sunday. Children join Meeting for Worship from 10:00-10:15 am and then proceed to First Day School from 10:15-11:00 am.

Other Meetings for Worship (All welcome):

Monday - 12:30pm - Moses Brown Upper School
Wednesday - 8:25am - Moses Brown Lower School
Wednesday - 9:40am - Moses Brown Middle School
Thursday - Noon-12:45 pm Brown University in
J. Walter Wilson room 411

Potluck, Providence - each First Sunday

Meeting for Business

Providence: Second Sunday each month at 12:15pm
Saylesville: Last Sunday of each month

AFSC SENE Support Committee - Second Tuesday,
6:30-9:00 pm Volunteers needed and welcome.
Call (508) 399-6699

New Library Book By Thia Lord

A copy of Moses Brown School 4th graders' collaborative book, ***Opening Global Windows: Chesina Kenya Through the Eyes of its Children***, has been donated to the Meeting library by Matt Glendinning. The students spent a year corresponding

with Quaker students in elementary schools near Kakamega, Kenya. For the book, they chose photos and wrote captions and text to explain what they had learned about their new friends. Please take a moment to enjoy this wonderful photo essay!

Meeting Artists' Exhibits



Penny Jackim

Penny Jackim will be exhibiting 6 or 8 paintings on the back wall of the Spring Bull Gallery, 55 Bellevue Ave., Newport in June and July.

Betsy Zimmerman

One of Betsy Zimmerman's prints will be in the ALRI Annual Members' Exhibition at the RISD Museum. It runs from June 17th to the 25th. You're invited to the opening, June 17 from 5-7.

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